

APPENDIX.

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(Circular.)

IMPROVEMENT OF OUR PUBLIC ROADS.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 16, 1892.

DEAR SIR: The Chamber of Commerce of the City of Raleigh, at its meeting on the evening of December 13, passed the following resolution:

“Resolved, That the President of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce appoint a committee of five of its members to memorialize the coming Legislature to call together, at the proper time and place, a Road Congress, for the purpose of considering matters in connection with improving the public roads of the State, the members of which Congress are to be appointed by the Governor, Mayors of towns, Chairmen of County Commissioners, and in such other ways as may be most desirable.”

The following committee was appointed: H. B. Battle, Chairman; W. C. McMackin, R. H. Lewis, Frank Stronach, W. P. Batchelor.

All persons interested in the welfare of North Carolina will recognize at once the importance of some change from our present system of public roads and their preservation. It occurs to me that if public-spirited men would come together and discuss these questions, that the importance would be more readily realized and some united action would be the result. I present this matter, therefore, to you, and would ask that you kindly write me on the enclosed card, at once, your ideas in connection with the following:

1. Would you advise the calling of a Road Congress?
2. Where and when should it meet? Would you think during the present Legislature an opportune time, so that if desired a bill might be framed for immediate consideration?
3. Any suggestions from you showing the special need of immediate action.
4. What remedies would you suggest for the improvement of our roads?

As the time is very short, I would earnestly ask the favor of an immediate reply.

Very respectfully,

H. B. BATTLE.